

Table 5.24 Retail Motor Gasoline and On-Highway Diesel Fuel Prices, Selected Years, 1949-2003

(Dollars per Gallon)

Year	Motor Gasoline by Grade								Regular Motor Gasoline by Area Type ¹			On-Highway Diesel Fuel ¹
	Leaded Regular		Unleaded Regular		Unleaded Premium		All Grades		Conventional Gasoline Areas ^{3,4}	Reformulated Gasoline Areas ^{5,6}	All Areas	
	Nominal	Real ²	Nominal	Real ²	Nominal	Real ²	Nominal	Real ²				
1949	0.27	R ¹ 1.64	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1950	0.27	R ¹ 1.62	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1955	0.29	R ¹ 1.55	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1960	0.31	R ¹ 1.48	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1965	0.31	R ¹ 1.39	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1970	0.36	R ¹ 1.30	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1971	0.36	R ¹ 1.26	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1972	0.36	R ¹ 1.20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1973	0.39	R ¹ 1.22	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1974	0.53	R ¹ 1.53	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1975	0.57	R ¹ 1.49	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1976	0.59	R ¹ 1.47	0.61	R ¹ 1.53	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1977	0.62	R ¹ 1.46	0.66	R ¹ 1.53	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1978	0.63	R ¹ 1.37	0.67	R ¹ 1.46	NA	NA	0.65	R ¹ 1.43	NA	NA	NA	NA
1979	0.86	R ¹ 1.73	0.90	R ¹ 1.82	NA	NA	0.88	R ¹ 1.78	NA	NA	NA	NA
1980	1.19	R ² 2.20	1.25	R ² 2.30	NA	NA	1.22	R ² 2.26	NA	NA	NA	NA
1981	1.31	R ² 2.22	1.38	R ² 2.33	1.47	R ² 2.49	1.35	R ² 2.29	NA	NA	NA	NA
1982	1.22	R ¹ 1.95	1.30	R ² 2.07	1.42	R ² 2.26	1.28	R ² 2.04	NA	NA	NA	NA
1983	1.16	R ¹ 1.77	1.24	R ¹ 1.90	1.38	R ² 2.12	1.23	R ¹ 1.88	NA	NA	NA	NA
1984	1.13	R ¹ 1.67	1.21	R ¹ 1.79	1.37	R ² 2.02	1.20	R ¹ 1.77	NA	NA	NA	NA
1985	1.12	R ¹ 1.60	1.20	R ¹ 1.72	1.34	R ¹ 1.92	1.20	R ¹ 1.72	NA	NA	NA	NA
1986	0.86	R ¹ 1.20	0.93	R ¹ 1.30	1.09	R ¹ 1.52	0.93	R ¹ 1.31	NA	NA	NA	NA
1987	0.90	R ¹ 1.23	0.95	R ¹ 1.30	1.09	R ¹ 1.49	0.96	R ¹ 1.31	NA	NA	NA	NA
1988	0.90	R ¹ 1.19	0.95	R ¹ 1.25	1.11	R ¹ 1.46	0.96	R ¹ 1.27	NA	NA	NA	NA
1989	1.00	R ¹ 1.27	1.02	R ¹ 1.30	1.20	R ¹ 1.52	1.06	R ¹ 1.35	NA	NA	NA	NA
1990	1.15	R ¹ 1.41	1.16	R ¹ 1.43	1.35	R ¹ 1.65	1.22	R ¹ 1.49	NA	NA	NA	NA
1991	NA	NA	1.14	R ¹ 1.35	1.32	R ¹ 1.56	1.20	R ¹ 1.42	1.10	NA	1.10	NA
1992	NA	NA	1.13	R ¹ 1.31	1.32	R ¹ 1.52	1.19	R ¹ 1.38	1.09	NA	1.09	NA
1993	NA	NA	1.11	R ¹ 1.25	1.30	R ¹ 1.47	1.17	R ¹ 1.33	⁴ 1.07	NA	1.07	NA
1994	NA	NA	1.11	R ¹ 1.23	1.31	R ¹ 1.45	1.17	R ¹ 1.30	1.07	NA	1.08	NA
1995	NA	NA	1.15	R ¹ 1.25	1.34	R ¹ 1.45	1.21	R ¹ 1.31	1.10	⁶ 1.16	1.11	1.11
1996	NA	NA	1.23	R ¹ 1.31	1.41	R ¹ 1.51	1.29	R ¹ 1.37	1.19	1.28	1.22	1.24
1997	NA	NA	1.23	R ¹ 1.29	1.42	R ¹ 1.48	1.29	R ¹ 1.35	1.19	1.25	1.20	1.20
1998	NA	NA	1.06	R ¹ 1.10	1.25	R ¹ 1.30	1.12	R ¹ 1.16	1.02	1.08	1.03	1.04
1999	NA	NA	1.17	R ¹ 1.19	1.36	R ¹ 1.39	1.22	R ¹ 1.25	1.12	1.20	1.14	1.12
2000	NA	NA	1.51	R ¹ 1.51	1.69	R ¹ 1.69	1.56	R ¹ 1.56	1.46	1.54	1.48	1.49
2001	NA	NA	1.46	R ¹ 1.43	1.66	R ¹ 1.62	1.53	R ¹ 1.50	1.38	1.50	1.42	1.40
2002	NA	NA	1.36	R ¹ 1.31	^R 1.56	R ¹ 1.50	1.44	R ¹ 1.39	1.31	1.41	1.35	1.32
2003	NA	NA	1.59	1.51	1.78	1.68	1.64	1.55	1.52	1.66	1.56	1.51

¹ Nominal dollars.

² In chained (2000) dollars, calculated by using gross domestic product implicit price deflators. See Table D1.

³ Any area that does not require the sale of reformulated gasoline.

⁴ For 1993-2000, data collected for oxygenated areas are included in "Conventional Gasoline Areas."

⁵ "Reformulated Gasoline Areas" are ozone nonattainment areas designated by the Environmental Protection Agency that require the use of reformulated gasoline.

⁶ For 1995-2000, data collected for combined oxygenated and reformulated areas are included in "Reformulated Gasoline Areas."

R=Revised. NA=Not available.

Note: See "Motor Gasoline Grades," "Motor Gasoline, Conventional," "Motor Gasoline, Oxygenated," and "Motor Gasoline, Reformulated" in Glossary.

Web Pages: • For data not shown for 1951-1969, see <http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/aer/petro.html>.

• For related information, see http://www.eia.doe.gov/oil_gas/petroleum/info_glance/petroleum.html

Sources: **Motor Gasoline by Grade:** • 1949-1973—*Platt's Oil Price Handbook and Oilmanac, 1974*, 51st Edition. • 1974 forward—Energy Information Administration (EIA), annual averages of monthly data from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, *U.S. City Average Gasoline Prices*. **Regular Motor Gasoline by Area Type:** EIA, weighted annual averages of data from "Weekly U.S. Retail Gasoline Prices, Regular Grade." **On-Highway Diesel Fuel:** EIA, weighted annual averages of data from "Weekly Retail On-Highway Diesel Prices."